ARKANSAS FARM REPORT

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Chickens & Eggs

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Cattle

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JUNE 1 HOG AND PIG INVENTORY DOWN 4 PERCENT

ARKANSAS inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2001, was 660,000 head, down 4 percent from June 1, 2000. Breeding inventory, at 105,000 head, was down 5 percent, and market hog inventory, at 555,000 head, down 4 percent. The March-May 2001 pig crop totaled 486,000 head, up 4 percent from the same quarter last year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 54,000 head, down 2 percent, and represented 51 percent of the breeding herd.

Pigs saved per litter for the March-May 2001 quarter averaged 9.00, up from 8.50 in 2000. Arkansas hog producers intend to have 55,000 **sows farrow** during the June-August quarter, the same as the actual farrowings for the period in 2000. Intended farrowings for September-November quarter, at 52,000 sows, are 5 percent below the actual farrowings during the same quarter in 2000.

JUNE 1 HOG AND PIG INVENTORY, 2000-2001, ARKANSAS AND U.S.

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	A	RKANSA	S	UNITED STATES					
Item	2000	2001	% Chg.	2000	2001	% Chg.			
	1,000	Head		1,000 Head					
All Hogs and Pigs	690	660	-4	59,117	59,081	0			
Breeding	110	105	-5	6,234	6,198	-1			
Market	580	555	-4	52,884	52,883	0			
Market Hogs & Pigs by Weight									
Under 60 pounds	210	190	-10	19,907	19,699	-1			
60-119 Pounds	135	145	+7	13,247	13,190	0			
120-179 Pounds	130	120	-8	10,710	10,848	+1			
_ω 180 Pounds and Over	105	100	-5	9,019	9,147	+1			

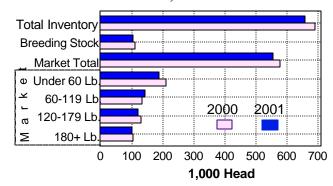
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° FARROWINGS: MARCH-MAY QUARTER, AND INTENTIONS FOR JUNE-AUGUST QUARTER

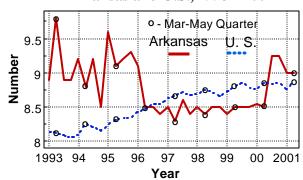
		ARKANSAS				UNITED	STATES	S	
				% Chg.	Intentions			% Chg.	Intentions
Item	Unit	2000	2001	00-01	JunAug.	2000	2001	00-01	JunAug.
Sows Farrowing	1,000 Head	55	54	-2	55	2,885	2,878	0	2,924
Pigs per Litter	Head	8.50	9.00	+6	-	8.86	8.88	0	-
Pig Crop 1/	1,000 Head	468	486	+4	-	25,565	25,544	0	-

1/ Number of pigs born during Mar.-May that were still on hand June 1, or had been sold.

June 1 Hog and Pig Inventory Arkansas, 2000 and 2001



Pigs per Litter by Quarter Arkansas and U.S., 1993 - 2001



2000 WHOLESALE VALUE OF FLORICULTURE CROPS UP

The Arkansas wholesale value of floriculture crops in **2000** for all growers with \$10,000 or more in sales is estimated at \$14.1 million, up 16 percent from 1999.

Total covered area for floriculture crop production was 5.0 million square feet, down 34 percent. **The number of growers** totaled 65, down 3 from 1999.

NUMBER OF GROWERS, SALES, PRICE AND VALUE BY PLANT, ARKANSAS,1999 - 2000 1/

		Number Tota			Sales				Valu	e of	
	•	of Growers		Number Sold		% of Sales at wholesale		Wholesale Price		All Sales at Wholesale	
Category and Plant	Unit	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
		Num	ber	1,000	Units	Perc	cent	Dollar	rs/Unit	1,000 L	Oollars
Potted Flowering Plants:	j -	Ī		Ī						NA	NA
Poinsettias 2/	Pot	13	12	225	251	98	89	4.48	4.64	992	1,126
Total Bedding/garden Plants, Annual &	-									8,534	9,224
Annual Bedding/Garden Plants, Total: 3/	-									-	7,122
Begonias	Flat	Ī -	7	-	33	-	86	-	6.59	-	217
Geraniums (from Vegetative Cuttings)	Flat	-	7	-	11	-	96	-	17.00	-	187
Impatiens	Flat	12	13	87	83	96	92	5.90	7.44	513	618
Petunias	Flat	11	11	54	51	96	92	7.05	8.22	381	419
Vegetable Type Bedding Plants	Flat	12	13	85	58	99	97	6.35	6.26	540	363
Geraniums (from Vegetative Cuttings) 2/	Pot	9	12	79	133	86	80	3.91	4.74	240	494
New Guinea Impatiens 2/	Pot	7	9	59	60	100	84	3.23	2.06	127	94
Impatiens 2/	Pot	4	5	38	13	67	67	3.24	2.05	78	27
Begonias	Basket	-	7	-	6	-	81	-	6.32	-	38
Geranium (from Vegetative Cuttings)	Basket	_	10	-	14	-	81	-	7.25	-	102
New Guinea Impatiens	Basket	9	10	21	13	96	88	5.90	6.66	124	87
Impatiens	Basket	7	9	12	11	93	83	6.93	5.44	83	60
Petunia	Basket	10	11	11	9	94	86	5.57	5.15	61	46
Herbaceous Perennials, Potted, Total: 3/	-	Į								-	2,102
Chrysanthemums	Pot	9	7	213	75	94	45	3.85	4.20	820	315
Hosta	Pot	-	4	-	30	_	86	-	3.61	-	108
Foliage for Indoor or Patio Use, Total: 3/4/	-									198	178
Foliage Hanging Baskets	Basket	8	9	32	21	98	99	5.89	8.25	188	173
TOTAL WHOLESALE VALUE 4/	-								4/ 5	8,732	9,402

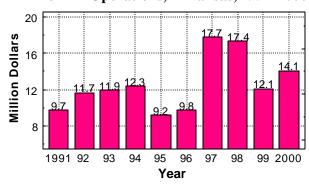
1/ For Growers with sales over \$100,000. 2/ Unit price for 5 inch or more in size. 3/ Also includes other plants. 4/ Total data are not comparable due to changes in survey procedures involving additional crops and realigned categories in 2000. NA-Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. '-' Data series began in 2000; 1999 data not available.

NUMBER OF GROWERS, VALUE AND GROWING AREA BY OPERATION CLASS, ARKANSAS

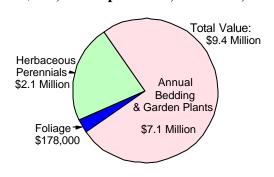
	Total N	lumber	Expa	Expanded		eenhouse	Shade and		Total		Open		
Operation	of Gr	owers	Wholesale	Wholesale Value 1/		Cover		Temporary Cover		Covered Area		Ground	
Sales Class	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	
	Nun	nber	1,000 L	Oollars	1,000	Sq. Ft.	1,000	Sq. Ft.	1,000	Sq. Ft.	Aci	res	
\$10,000+ Sales	46	45	3,391	4,691	4,054	3,035	28	49	4,082	3,084	169	178	
\$100,000+ Sales	22	20	8,732	9,402	3,444	1,868	7	12	3,451	1,880	151	30	
Total	68	65	12,123	14,093	7,498	4,903	35	61	7,533	4,964	320	208	

1/ Wholesale value of sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more in sales of floriculture crops plus a calculated wholesale value of sales for growers with sales below \$100,000.

Wholesale Value of Floriculture Crops For All Operations, Arkansas, 1991-2000



Wholesale Value by Type of Crop For \$100,000+ Operations, Arkansas, 2000

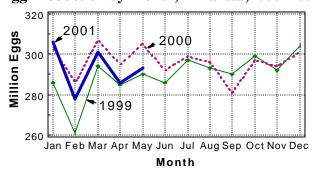


MAY EGG PRODUCTION, LAYERS AND CHICKS HATCHED, ARKANSAS AND U. S., 2000-2001

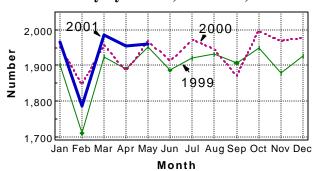
		F	ARKANSAS		UNITED STATES			
Item	Unit	2000	2001	% Chg.	2000	2001	% Chg.	
Egg Production Total	Million Eggs	305	293	-4	7,104	7,231	+2	
Table Eggs	Million Eggs	114	106	-7	5,970	6,105	+2	
Hatching Eggs	Million Eggs	191	187	-2	1,134	1,126	-1	
All Layers 1/	Thousands	15,496	14,938	-4	326,326	334,728	+3	
Rate of Lay 2/	Number	1,968	1,961	0	2,177	2,160	-1	
Chicks Hatched:							_	
Egg Type	Thousands	1,240	1,048	-15	41,182	42,579	+3	
Broiler Type	Thousands	111,715	110,752	-1	774,983	775,674	0	

^{1/} Includes all layers in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

Egg Production by Month, Arkansas, 1999-2001



Rate of Lay by Month, Arkansas, 1999-2001



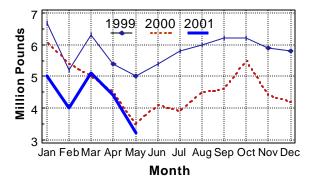
MAY RED MEAT PRODUCTION, CATTLE AND HOG SLAUGHTER, 2000 - 2001

		ARKANSAS			UNI	TED STATES	S
Item	Unit	2000	2001	% Chg.	2000	2001	% Chg.
Red Meat Production 1/	Million Lbs.	3.5	3.2*	-9	3,880.9	3,881.3	0
Cattle Slaughter Total 2/	1,000 Head	1.3	1.2**	-8	3,177.9	3,199.3	+1
Federally Inspected	1,000 Head	0.9	0.9	0	3,128.2	3,152.0	+1
Percent of Total Slaughter	Percent	69	75	-	98	99	-
Total Live Weight	1,000 Lbs.	1,351	959	-29	3,801,410	3,786,666	0
Average Live Weight 3/	Lbs.	1,002	822	-18	1,196	1,184	-1
Hog Slaughter Total 2/	1,000 Head	4/	4/	-	7,944.7	7,958.4	0
Federally Inspected	1,000 Head	4/	4/	_	7,816.4	7,836.3	0
Percent of Total Slaughter	Percent	4/	4/	_	98	98	-
Total Live Weight	1,000 Lbs.	4/	4/	_	2,089,974	2,100,329	0
Average Live Weight 3/	Lbs.	4/	4/	-	263	264	0

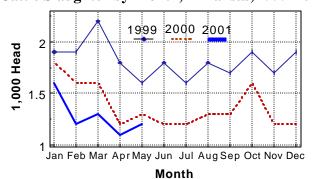
^{*}Record low. **Record low for May. 1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, and lamb and mutton. 2/ Excludes slaughter on farms. 3/ Based on unrounded data. 4/ Arkansas data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations, but still included in the U.S. total.

Arkansas calf and sheep slaughter data are also not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. May 2001 and 2000 both contained 23 weekdays (including one holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Red Meat Production, Arkansas, 1999-2001



Cattle Slaughter by Month, Arkansas, 1999-2001



^{2/} Eggs produced per 100 layers in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

2000 CATTLE AND CALVES LOST TO PREDATORS VALUED AT \$1.1 MILLION

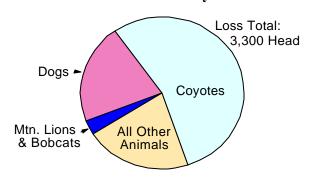
ARKANSAS: Cattle and calf losses by animal predators totaled 3,300 head during 2000, and resulted in a loss of \$1.1 million to farmers and ranchers.

Coyotes caused 54.5 percent of cattle and calf losses to predators. Dogs are the second leading cause of predator losses, accounting for 21.2 percent.

Guard animals are the most common method used to prevent predator loss of cattle and calves at 55.3 percent of total nonlethal controls.

The statistics are released as a cooperative effort between the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service and Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services.

Cattle and Calf Losses by Predators



CATTLE AND CALF LOSSES, AND VALUE OF PREDATOR LOSSES, ARKANSAS, 2000

		Total Losses	Predator Losses					
	January 1	from	Number	Percent of	Value	Total		
Species	Inventory	All Causes	Lost	All Causes	Per Head	Value		
	1,000 H	l ead	Head	Percent	Dollars	\$1,000		
Cattle (500 Lb. & Over)	1,375	35	500	1.4	621.00	311		
Calves (Less than 500 Lb.)	465	50	2,800	5.6	288.00	806		
Total	1,840	85	3,300	3.9	n/a	1,117		

n/a - Not available.

Losses of Cattle and Calves by Predators, Arkansas, 2000

	Νυ	ımber L	ost	% of '	Total Pre	dators
Species	Cattle	Calves	Total	Cattle	Calves	Total
	,	Number			Percent	
Coyotes	200	1,600	1,800	40.0	57.1	54.5
Dogs	200	500	700	40.0	17.9	21.2
Mountain Lions and Bobcats	1/	100	100	-	3.6	3.0
All Other	100	600	700	20.0	21.4	21.2
Total	500	2,800	3,300	100.0	100.0	100.0*

1/ Less than 100 head, or not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. *Missing data result in percentage summing to less than 100.

Non-Lethal Methods to Prevent

Method Used	% of Total Methods
	Percent
Guard Animals	55.3
Exclusion Fencing	21.1
Livestock Carcass	10.5
Fright Tactics	2.6
Other Non-Lethal	26.3
Total 1/	100.0

1/ Also includes herding and night penning that are not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. Use of multiple non-lethal methods results in percentage summing to greater than 100.